

# Martingales in Homogeneous spaces

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## Abstract

Let  $G/H$  be a reductive homogeneous space and  $\nabla^{G/H}$  a  $G$ -invariant connection. Our interesse is to study  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingales in  $G/H$ . In fact, we yields a correspondence between  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingales and local martingales  $\mathfrak{m}$ , where  $\mathfrak{m}$  is the subspace of Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  such that  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathfrak{m}$  such that  $Ad(H)(\mathfrak{m}) \subset \mathfrak{m}$ . Here  $\mathfrak{h}$  is the Lie subalgebra of  $H$ . As application we show that martingales in the sphere  $S^n$  are in 1-1 correspondence with local martingales in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $G$  be a Lie Group and  $H$  closed Lie subgroup. In this work we consider the reductive homogeneous spaces. It means that  $\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{h}$  are Lie algebras of  $G$  and  $H$ , respectively, and there exists a subspace  $\mathfrak{m}$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$  such that  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathfrak{m}$  and  $Ad(H)(\mathfrak{m}) \subset \mathfrak{m}$ . Our intention is to study the martingales in  $G/H$  with respect to  $G$ -invariant connections. A first study in this direction was done by M. Arnaudon in [3], where he characterized the martingales with respect the canonical connection in  $G/H$  in function of local martingales in  $\mathfrak{m}$ . The reader can see that his strategy was used the stochastic exponential in the sense of Stratonovich (see for example [8]) to show this.

In our paper, being natural to see  $\pi : G \rightarrow G/H$  as submersion, furthermore, as principal fiber bundle, our idea is given a  $G$ -invariant connection  $\nabla^{G/H}$  on  $G/H$  and to construct a desirable connection  $\nabla^G$  on  $G$  such that  $\pi : G \rightarrow G/H$  is an affine submersion with horizontal distribution. It means that  $\pi_*(\nabla_{A^h}^G B^h) = \nabla_A^{G/H} B$ , where  $X, Y$  are vector fields on  $G/H$  and  $A^h, B^h$  are their lifts to  $G$ , respectively. The last definition was introduced by N. Abe and K. Hasewaga in [1].

Take the connections  $\nabla^{G/H}$  and  $\nabla^G$  as above. Following the natural idea of projecting the horizontal geodesics of  $G$  in geodesics of  $G/H$  we wish to project horizontal  $\nabla^G$ -martingales in  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingales. To make the role of geodesics in  $G$  we will use the Itô exponential on  $G$ , which was introduced by author in [15]. Given a local martingale  $M$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$  the Itô exponential  $X = e^G(M)$  with respect to  $\nabla^G$  is the solution of the stochastic differential equation in Itô sense:

$$d^{\nabla^G} X_t = L_{(X_t)*}(e) dM, \quad X_0 = e.$$

In context proposed until here, our main Theorem says:

**Theorem :** *Let  $G/H$  a reductive homogeneous space  $G/H$ . Let  $\nabla^{G/H}$  and  $\nabla^G$  connections on  $G/H$  and  $G$ , respectively, such that  $\pi$  is an affine submersion with horizontal distribution. If  $X_t$  is a  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingale in  $G/H$ , then it is written as  $\pi \circ e^G(M)$ , where  $M$  is a local martingale in  $\mathfrak{m}$ .*

The hypothesis of Theorem is satisfied in many examples of homogenous spaces, which we give in this work. However, a special application is the sphere. Viewing the sphere  $S^n$  as homogeneous space we show that the martingales in sphere are in 1-1 correspondence with local martingales in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

## 2 Stochastic calculus

In this work we use freely the concepts and notations of P. Protter [12], P. Meyer [10], M. Emery [6] and [7], S. Kobayashi and N. Nomizu [9] and J. Cheeger and D.G. Ebin [5]. We suggest the reading of [4] for a complete survey about the objects of this section. From now on the adjective smooth means  $C^\infty$ .

Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, (\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}, \mathbb{P})$  be a probability space which satisfies the usual hypotheses (see for example [6]). Our basic assumption is that every stochastic process is continuous.

Let  $M$  be a smooth manifold and  $X_t$  a continuous stochastic process with values in  $M$ . We call  $X_t$  a semimartingale if, for all  $f$  smooth function,  $f(X_t)$  is a real semimartingale.

Let  $M$  be a smooth manifold with connection  $\nabla^M$ . Let  $X$  be a continuous semimartingale with values in  $M$ ,  $\theta$  a section of  $TM^*$  and  $b$  a section of  $T^{(2,0)}M$ . We denote by  $\int \theta d^\nabla X$  the Itô integral of  $\theta$  along  $X$  and by  $\int b d(X, X)$  the quadratic integral of  $b$  along  $X$ . We recall that  $X$  is a  $\nabla$ -martingale if and only if  $\int \theta d^\nabla X$  is a local martingale for any  $\theta \in \Gamma(TM^*)$ .

Let  $M$  and  $N$  be smooth manifolds endowed with connections  $\nabla^M$  and  $\nabla^N$ , respectively, and  $F : M \rightarrow N$  a smooth map. P. Catuogno in [4] shows the following version for Itô formula in smooth manifolds, which will be said geometric Itô formula:

$$\int_0^t \theta d^N F(X) = \int_0^t F^* \theta d^M X + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \beta_F^* \theta (dX, dX), \quad (1)$$

where  $\beta_F$  is the second fundamental form of  $F$  and  $\theta \in \Gamma(T^*N)$ .

From the above formula, it follows that  $F$  is an affine map if it and only if sends  $\nabla^M$ -martingales to  $\nabla^N$ -martingales.

## 3 Connections on homogeneous spaces

Let  $H$  be a closed Lie subgroup of  $G$ . Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  and  $\mathfrak{h}$  denote the Lie algebras of  $G$  and  $H$ , respectively. We assume that the homogeneous space  $G/H$  is reductive, that is, there is a subspace  $\mathfrak{m}$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$  such that  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathfrak{m}$  and  $Ad(H)(\mathfrak{m}) \subset \mathfrak{m}$ . Let  $\pi$  be the natural mapping of  $G$  onto the space  $G/H$  of the cosets  $gH$ ,  $g \in G$ . Also, for each  $a \in G$  we define  $\tau_a : G/H \rightarrow G/H$  by  $\tau_a(gH) = agH$ , the left translation. If  $a \in G$  and  $L_a$  are the left translation on  $G$ , then

$$\pi \circ L_a = \tau_a \circ \pi.$$

The differential of  $\pi$  at  $e$  shows that  $\ker(d\pi)_e = \mathfrak{h}$ . Since  $d\pi$  is onto we get the canonical isomorphism  $\mathfrak{m} \cong T_o(G/H)$ .

As the left translation  $L_g$  is a diffeomorphism, for every  $g \in G$ , we have

$$T_g G = (L_g)_* \mathfrak{h} \oplus (L_g)_* \mathfrak{m}.$$

Thus, writing

$$TG_{\mathfrak{h}} := \{(L_g)_* \mathfrak{h}; \forall g \in G\} \quad \text{and} \quad TG_{\mathfrak{m}} := \{(L_g)_* \mathfrak{m}; \forall g \in G\}$$

follows that  $TG = TG_{\mathfrak{h}} \oplus TG_{\mathfrak{m}}$ .

Let us denote the Maurer-Cartan form on  $G$  as  $\omega$ . Theorem 11.1 in [9] shows that the principal fiber bundle  $G(G/H, H)$  has the vertical part of the Maurer-Cartan as a connection form with respect to decomposition  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathfrak{m}$ . In other words,  $TG_{\mathfrak{m}}$  is a connection in  $G(G/H, H)$ . The horizontal lift from  $G/H$  to  $G$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{H}$  and the horizontal projection of  $TG$  into  $TG_{\mathfrak{m}}$  is written as  $\mathbf{h}$ .

Let  $A \in \mathfrak{m}$ . The left invariant vector field  $\tilde{A}$  on  $G$  is denoted by  $\tilde{A}(g) = L_{g*} A$  and the  $G$ -invariant vector field  $A_*$  on  $G/H$  is defined by  $A_* = \tau_{g*} \tilde{A}$ . It is clear that  $\tilde{A}$  is a horizontal vector field on  $G$ .

It is well-known, see Theorem 8.1 in [11], that for each  $G$ -invariant connection  $\nabla^{G/H}$  is associated to a unique  $Ad(H)$ -invariant bilinear map  $\beta : \mathfrak{m} \times \mathfrak{m} \rightarrow \mathfrak{m}$ , that is,

$$\beta(Ad(H)(A), Ad(H)(B)) = Ad(H)\beta(A, B), \quad A, B \in \mathfrak{m}.$$

This correspondence is given by

$$(\nabla_A^{G/H} B)_o = \beta(A, B), \quad A, B \in \mathfrak{m}.$$

Since we are interested on martingales in  $G/H$ , our idea is choose a good connection  $\nabla^G$  such that it is horizontally projected over  $\nabla^{G/H}$ . In other words, we choose  $\nabla^G$  in the way that  $\pi : G \rightarrow G/H$  is an affine submersion with horizontal distribution. This definition was given by N. Abe and H. Hasegawa in [1] and it means the following. Taking  $A, B \in \mathfrak{m}$  we yields the left invariant vectors fields  $\tilde{A}, \tilde{B}$  on  $G$  and the  $G$ -invariant vector fields  $A_*, B_*$  on  $G/H$ . It is clear that  $\tilde{A}, \tilde{B}$  are horizontal and  $\pi_*(\tilde{A}) = A_*$  and  $\pi_*(\tilde{B}) = B_*$ . In other words,  $\tilde{A}, A_*$  and  $\tilde{B}, B_*$  are  $\pi$ -related. Furthermore,  $\tilde{A}, \tilde{B}$  are horizontal lift of  $A_*, B_*$ , respectively. Therefore  $\pi$  is an affine submersion with horizontal distribution if

$$\mathbf{h}(\nabla_{\tilde{A}}^G \tilde{B}) = \mathcal{H}(\nabla_{A_*}^{G/H} B_*).$$

A natural way to construct a connection  $\nabla^G$  from  $\nabla^{G/H}$  such that  $\pi$  is affine submersion with horizontal distribution is to extend  $\beta$  to a bilinear map  $\alpha$  to  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  into  $\mathfrak{g}$  such that  $\alpha(A, B) = \beta(A, B)$  for  $A, B \in \mathfrak{m}$ . Thus, there exists a left invariant connection  $\nabla^G$  on  $G$  such that

$$(\nabla_{\tilde{A}}^G \tilde{B})(e) = \alpha(A, B), \quad X, Y \in \mathfrak{g}.$$

We prove some geometric necessary facts.

**Proposition 3.1** *Let  $\nabla^{G/H}, \nabla^G$  be connections such that  $\pi$  is an affine submersion with horizontal distribution.*

1. If  $f \in C^\infty(G/K)$  then

$$\text{Hess}^G(f \circ \pi)(g)(\tilde{A}, \tilde{B}) = \text{Hess}^{G/H}(f)(\pi(g))(A_*, B_*),$$

for  $A, B \in \mathfrak{m}$ .

2. If  $A, B \in \mathfrak{m}$  then

$$\beta_\pi(\tilde{A}, \tilde{B}) = 0,$$

where  $\beta_\pi$  is the second fundamental form of  $\pi$ .

**Proof:** 1. For  $A, B \in \mathfrak{m}$ ,  $\pi_*(g)(\tilde{A}(g)) = A_*(\pi(g))$  and  $\pi_*(g)(\tilde{B}(g)) = B_*(\pi(g))$  for all  $g \in G$ . By definition of hessiano, for every  $f \in C^\infty(G/K)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hess}^{G/H}(f(\pi(g)))(A_*, B_*) &= A_*(\pi(g))(B_*f) - df(\nabla_{A_*}^{G/H} B_*)(\pi(g)) \\ &= \tilde{A}(g)\tilde{B}(f \circ \pi) - (f \circ \pi)_*(\nabla_{\tilde{A}}^G \tilde{B})(g) \\ &= \text{Hess}^G(f \circ \pi)(g)(\tilde{A}, \tilde{B}). \end{aligned}$$

2. Given  $A, B \in \mathfrak{m}$  we have, by definition of the second fundamental form,

$$\beta_\pi(\tilde{A}, \tilde{B}) = \nabla_{\pi_* \tilde{A}}^{G/H} \pi_* \tilde{B} - \pi_* \nabla_{\tilde{A}}^G \tilde{B}.$$

Being  $\pi$  an affine submersion with horizontal distribution, we obtain

$$\beta_\pi(\tilde{A}, \tilde{B}) = \nabla_{A_*}^{G/H} B_* - \nabla_{A_*}^{G/H} B_* = 0.$$

## 4 Martingales in homogeneous space

We endow  $G$  with a left invariant connection  $\nabla^G$  and  $\mathfrak{g}$  with a flat connection  $\nabla^\mathfrak{g}$ . In [15], the author defines the Itô stochastic exponential with respect to  $\nabla^G$  and  $\nabla^\mathfrak{g}$  as the solution of the Itô stochastic differential equation

$$d^{\nabla^G} X_t = L_{(X_t)*}(e) dM, \quad X_0 = e, \quad (2)$$

where  $M$  is a semimartingale in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . For simplicity, we call  $e^G(M)$  of Itô exponential. In [15], we have the following results about Itô exponential

**Theorem 4.1** *Given a semimartingale  $X$  in  $G$ , there exists a unique semimartingale  $M$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$  such that  $X = e^G(M)$ .*

**Theorem 4.2** *Let  $\nabla^G$  be a connection on  $G$ . The  $\nabla^G$ -martingale in  $G$  are exactly the process  $e^G(M)$  where  $M$  is a local martingale on  $\mathfrak{g}$ .*

Before we work with martingales in  $G/H$  it is necessary to develop a result in the Lie group  $G$ . It is related with the left translate of semimartingales by a random variable with values in  $G$ . In consequence, we see that the set of martingales in  $G$  with respect to a left invariant connection do not change if we translate it to left by a random variable with values in  $G$ .

**Proposition 4.3** *Let  $G$  be a Lie group and  $\nabla^G$  a left-invariant connection on  $G$ . If  $Y_t$  is a semimartingale on  $G$  and  $\xi$  is a random variable with values in  $G$ , then, for  $\theta$  1-form on  $G$ ,*

$$\int \theta d^{\nabla^G} \xi Y_t = \int (L_\xi^* \theta) d^{\nabla^G} Y_t.$$

**Proof:** We begin denoting the product on Lie group  $G$  by  $m$ . Let  $\theta$  be a 1-form on  $G$ . As a function to  $m$ , the Itô integral along  $\xi Y_t$  is writing as

$$\int \theta d^{\nabla^G} \xi Y_t = \int \theta d^{\nabla^G} m(\xi, Y_t).$$

The geometric Itô formula (1) gives

$$\int \theta d^{\nabla^G} \xi Y_t = \int m^* \theta d^{\nabla^G \times \nabla^G} (\xi, Y_t) + \frac{1}{2} \int \beta_m^* \theta(d(\xi, Y_t), d(\xi, Y_t)).$$

From Proposition 3.15 in [7] we see that

$$\int \theta d^{\nabla^G} \xi Y_t = \int (R_{Y_t}^* \theta) d^{\nabla^G} \xi + \int (L_\xi^* \theta) d^{\nabla^G} Y_t + \frac{1}{2} \int \beta_m^* \theta(d(\xi, Y_t), d(\xi, Y_t)).$$

$\xi$  is viewed a constant process, and consequently

$$\int \theta d^{\nabla^G} \xi Y_t = \int (L_\xi^* \theta) d^{\nabla^G} Y_t + \frac{1}{2} \int \beta_m^* \theta(d(\xi, Y_t), d(\xi, Y_t)).$$

We claim that the  $\beta_m(d(\xi, Y_t), d(\xi, Y_t))$  is null. In fact, let  $0 \in T_g G$  and  $Y$  a left invariant vector field on  $G$ . Here,  $0$  is the vector associated to the constant process  $\xi$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_m(0, Y) &= \nabla_{m_*(0, Y)}^G m_*(0, Y) - m_* \nabla^{G \times G}(0, Y) \\ &= \nabla_{R_{h*}0 + L_{g*}(Y)}^G (R_{h*}0 + L_{g*}(Y)) - m_* \nabla^{G \times G}(0, Y) \\ &= \nabla_{L_{g*}Y}^G L_{g*}Y - L_{g*}(\nabla_Y^G Y) \\ &= L_{g*}(\nabla_Y^G Y) - L_{g*}(\nabla_Y^G Y) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

where in forth equality we use the fact that  $\nabla^G$  is a left invariant connection. Thus we get

$$\int \theta d^{\nabla^G} \xi Y_t = \int (L_\xi^* \theta) d^{\nabla^G} Y_t.$$

**Corollary 4.4** *Let  $G$  be a Lie group and  $\nabla^G$  a left-invariant connection on  $G$ . Let  $\xi$  be a random variable with values in  $G$ . A semimartingale  $Y_t$  in  $G$  is  $\nabla^G$ -martingale if and only if  $\xi Y_t$  so is.*

The way used to work with martingales in  $G/H$  is to see  $\pi : G \rightarrow G/H$  as  $G$ -principal fiber bundle and to make use of the horizontal lift of semimartingale due to I. Shigegawa in [14]. The horizontal lift in our context is expressed as: if  $X_t$  is a  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingale in  $G/H$ , it is clear that  $X_t$  is a semimartingale in  $G/H$ . As  $\pi : G \rightarrow G/H$  is a  $H$ -principal fiber bundle there is a unique horizontal lifting  $Y_t$  in  $G$  such that  $\pi(Y_t) = X_t$  and  $\int \omega \delta X_t = 0$  ( see Theorem 2.1 in [14]), where  $\omega$  is the vertical part of Maurer-Cartan form associated with horizontal distribution  $TG_m$ .

**Proposition 4.5** *Let  $G/H$  a reductive homogeneous space  $G/H$ . Let  $\nabla^{G/H}, \nabla^G$  be connections such that  $\pi$  is an affine submersion with horizontal distribution. If  $X_t$  is a  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingale in  $G/H$  such that  $X_0 = \pi(Y_0)$ , where  $Y_0$  is random variable in  $G$ , then so is  $Z_t = \tau_{Y_0^{-1}} X_t$ .*

**Proof:** Let  $X_t$  be a  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingale and  $Y_t$  its horizontal lift to  $G$ . Taking a 1-form  $\theta$  on  $G/H$  follows

$$\int \theta d^{G/H} Z_t = \int \theta d^{G/H} \tau_{Y_0^{-1}} X_t = \int \theta d^{G/H} \tau_{Y_0^{-1}} \pi(Y_t) = \int \theta d^{G/H} \pi(L_{Y_0^{-1}} Y_t).$$

From the geometric Itô formula (1) and Proposition 3.1 we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \int \theta d^{G/H} Z_t &= \int \pi^* \theta d^{G/H} (L_{Y_0^{-1}} Y_t) + \int \pi_* \theta \beta_\pi(d(L_{Y_0^{-1}} Y_t), d(L_{Y_0^{-1}} Y_t)) \\ &= \int \pi^* \theta d^G (L_{Y_0^{-1}} Y_t). \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 4.3 now assures that

$$\int \theta d^{G/H} Z_t = \int \theta \pi^* L_{Y_0^{-1}}^* d^G Y_t = \int \theta \tau_{Y_0^{-1}}^* \pi^* d^G Y_t.$$

Again, from geometric Itô formula (1) and Proposition 3.1 we conclude that

$$\int \theta d^{G/H} Z_t = \int \theta \tau_{Y_0^{-1}}^* d^{G/H} \pi(Y_t) = \int \theta \tau_{Y_0^{-1}}^* d^{G/H} X_t.$$

Since  $X_t$  is  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingale, it follows that  $Z_t$  is a  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingale.

Proposition above allows considering  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingales with initial condition  $o$ , that is, we can consider only the  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingales  $X_t$  with  $X_0 = o$ , where  $o = H$  is the origin in  $G/H$ .

**Lemma 4.6** *Let  $G/H$  a reductive homogeneous space  $G/H$ . Let  $\nabla^{G/H}$  and  $\nabla^G$  connections on  $G/H$  and  $G$ , respectively, such that  $\pi$  is an affine submersion with horizontal distribution. If  $U_t$  is a horizontal parallel stochastic transport along  $X_t$ , then  $\pi_*(U_t)$  is a parallel stochastic transport along the semimartingale  $\pi(X_t)$  in  $G/K$ .*

**Proof:** It is sufficient to show that  $\pi_*(U_t)$  satisfies the formula of the parallel stochastic transport, see for instance (8.11) in [6]. Consider  $f \in C^\infty(G/K)$ . Applying this formula we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} (\pi_* U_t) f + (\pi_* U_0) f &= U_t(f \circ \pi) + U_0(f \circ \pi) \\ &= \int Hess(f \circ \pi)(U_t, \delta X_t) \\ &= \int Hess(f)(\pi_* U_t, \delta \pi(X_t)), \end{aligned}$$

where we used the Proposition 3.1 in the later equality. It follows immediately that  $\pi_*(U_t)$  is parallel stochastic transport along  $\pi(X_t)$ .

**Theorem 4.7** *Let  $G/H$  a reductive homogeneous space  $G/H$ . Let  $\nabla^{G/H}$  and  $\nabla^G$  connections on  $G/H$  and  $G$ , respectively, such that  $\pi$  is an affine submersion with horizontal distribution. If  $X_t$  is a  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingale in  $G/H$ , then it is written as  $\pi \circ e^G(M)$ , where  $M$  is a local martingale in  $\mathfrak{m}$ .*

**Proof:** Let  $X_t$  be a  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingale in  $G/H$  and  $Y_t$  its horizontal lift in  $G$ . Consider a 1-form  $\theta$  in  $T^*(G/K)$ . Since  $\pi$  is an affine submersion with horizontal distribution, from Proposition 3.1 and the geometric Itô formula (1) we obtain

$$\int \theta d^{G/H} X_t = \int \theta d^{G/H} \pi(Y_t) = \int (\pi^* \theta) d^G Y_t = \int \theta \pi_* d^G Y_t,$$

where we used that  $Y_t$  is a horizontal semimartingale in  $G$ . Hence

$$d^{G/H} X_t = \pi_* d^G Y_t.$$

Let  $\{H_1, \dots, H_n\}$  be a basis on  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Choose  $\{H_\kappa, \kappa = 1, \dots, r\}$  such that it is a basis of  $\mathfrak{m}$ . By Theorem 4.1, there is a unique semimartingale  $N$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$  such that  $d^G Y_t = L_{Y_t*} dN$ . If we write  $N = \sum_{\kappa=1}^r N^\kappa H_\kappa + \sum_{j=r+1}^n N^j H_j$ , then  $d^G Y_t = dN^\kappa U_t^\kappa + dN^j U_t^j$ , where  $U_t^i = L_{Y_t*} H_i, i = 1, \dots, n$ . It is obvious that  $\sum_{\kappa=1}^r N^\kappa H_\kappa$  is a semimartingale in  $\mathfrak{m}$  and that

$$d^{G/H} X_t = \pi_*(dN_t^\kappa U_t^\kappa) = dN_t^\kappa \pi_*(U_t^\kappa). \quad (3)$$

The set  $\{U^1, \dots, U^n\}$  is a moving frame along  $Y_t$  (see [6] for the definition of moving frame). Hence  $\{\pi_*(U^1), \dots, \pi_*(U^n)\}$  is a moving frame along  $X_t$ , by Lemma above. Let us denote by  $\{\eta_1, \dots, \eta_r\}$  the dual basis of  $\{\pi_*(U_t^\kappa), \kappa = 1, \dots, r\}$  along  $X_t$ . Define  $M_t = \sum_{l=1}^r M_t^l H_l$  a semimartingale in  $\mathfrak{m}$ , where  $M_t^l = \int \eta_l d^{G/H} X_t$ . For every  $l = 1, \dots, r$ , we claim that  $M_t^l = N_t^l$ . In fact,

$$M_t^l = \int \eta_l d^{G/H} X_t = \int \eta_l dN_t^\kappa \pi_*(U_t^\kappa) = \int dN_t^\kappa \eta_l \pi^* U_t^\kappa = \int dN_t^l = N_t^l.$$

It follows that  $N_t = M_t + \sum_{l=r+1}^n N^l H_l$ . From this and (3) we conclude that  $d^{G/H} X_t = \pi_*(L_{Y_t*} dM_t)$ , and also that

$$d^{G/H} X_t = \tau_{Y_t*} dM_t. \quad (4)$$

The semimartingale  $M_t$  above is called the lifting of  $X_t$  in  $\mathfrak{m}$  (see [6] for this definition). From the stochastic differential equation (4) we conclude directly that  $X_t$  is a  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingale if, and only if,  $M_t$  is a local martingale in  $\mathfrak{m}$ . Theorem is proved if we see that  $Y_t = e^G(M)$ .

**Remark 1** In the proof of the Theorem above, we founded a semimartingale  $Y_t = e^G(M_t)$ . Since  $M$  is a local martingale in  $\mathfrak{m}$ , we can consider  $M$  as local martingale in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Therefore  $Y_t$  is a  $\nabla^G$ -martingale, which follows from Theorem 4.2. Furthermore, in terms of theory of connections,  $Y_t$  can be consider as a horizontal martingale in  $G$ .

**Remark 2** From the proof of Theorem 4.7 we have that a semimartingale  $X_t$  in  $G/H$  satisfies the Itô stochastic differential equation

$$d^{G/H} X_t = \tau_{Y_t*} dM_t, X_0 = o, \quad (5)$$

where  $M_t$  is a semimartingale in  $\mathfrak{m}$  and  $o = H$ .

**Example 4.1** *K. Nomizu in [11] defined by canonical affine connection of the second kind the connection  $\nabla^{G/H}$  which has the connection function  $\beta : \mathfrak{m} \times \mathfrak{m} \rightarrow \mathfrak{m}$  given by  $\beta(A, B) = 0$ , for  $A, B \in \mathfrak{m}$ . We extend  $\beta$  for a connection function  $\alpha(A, B) = 0$ , for  $A, B \in \mathfrak{g}$ . Then, the connection  $\nabla^G$  is given by  $\nabla_A^G \tilde{B} = 0$ . With these connections, it is clear that  $\pi : G \rightarrow G/H$  is an affine submersion with horizontal distribution. Theorem 4.7 assures that for each  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingale  $X$  there exists a local martingale in  $\mathfrak{m}$  such that  $X_t = \pi \circ e^G(M)$ . This result was first proved by M. Arnaudon in [3]. As a particular case of this example we have the Symmetric Spaces which admits a  $G$ -invariant metrics (see Theorem 3.3, chapter XI, in [9]).*

**Example 4.2** *K. Nomizu in [11] called the canonical affine connection of the first kind the connection  $\nabla^{G/H}$  which has the connection function  $\beta : \mathfrak{m} \times \mathfrak{m} \rightarrow \mathfrak{m}$  defined as  $\beta(A, B) = \frac{1}{2}[A, B]_{\mathfrak{m}}$ . The natural way to extend  $\beta$  to  $\alpha$  is to take  $\alpha(A, B) = \frac{1}{2}[A, B]$ , for  $A, B \in \mathfrak{g}$ . In according to correspondence between connections on  $G/H$  and  $G$  and connections functions  $\beta$  and  $\alpha$ , respectively,  $\nabla_A^{G/H} B = \frac{1}{2}[A, B]_{\mathfrak{m}}$  and  $\nabla_A^G B = \frac{1}{2}[A, B]$ . It follows directly that  $\pi : G \rightarrow G/H$  is an affine submersion with distribution horizontal. Therefore every  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingale  $X_t$  is written as  $X_t = \pi \circ e^G(M_t)$ , where  $M_t$  is a local martingale in  $\mathfrak{m}$ , which follows from Theorem 4.7.*

**Example 4.3** *A class of homogeneous space that satisfy the Example above are the normal homogeneous spaces. Following Definition 6.60 in [13], a Riemannian homogeneous space  $M = G/H$  is called normal homogeneous if there exists a bi-invariant metric on  $G$  such that  $\pi_*|_e$  maps the orthogonal complement  $\mathfrak{h}^\perp$  of  $\mathfrak{h}$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$  isometrically to  $M_{\pi(e)}$ . It is know that Levi-Civita connection on  $G$  is given by  $\nabla_A^G B = \frac{1}{2}[A, B]$ , for  $A, B$ . In the other side, it is possible to show that the Levi-Civita connection on  $G/H$  is given by  $\nabla_A^{G/H} B = \frac{1}{2}[A, B]_{\mathfrak{m}}$ , for  $A, B \in \mathfrak{m}$  (see proposition 6.62 in [13]). In fact, every normal homogenous space is naturally reductive ( see page 220 in [13] or [2]).*

**Example 4.4** *A example more general than above is the following. Let  $M = G/H$  be a homogeneous space. We admit that  $M$  has a  $G$ -invariant metric  $\ll, \gg$ . Using Theorem 3.36 in [5] we obtain a left invariant metric  $\langle, \rangle$  on  $G$  such that  $\pi : G \rightarrow G/H$  is a Riemannian submersion. Theorem 4.7 assures that every  $\nabla^{G/H}$ -martingale  $X_t$  is written as  $X_t = \pi \circ e^G(M)$ , where  $M$  is a local martingale in  $\mathfrak{m}$ .*

## 5 Martingales in sphere

Let  $S^n$  be a sphere  $n$ -dimensional in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . We can write  $S^n$  as a normal homogeneous space in the following way. In [13], we found in Example 6.61(a) that if we define a bi-invariant metric on  $SO(n+1)$  by  $\langle U, V \rangle = \frac{1}{2}\text{tr}(U^t V) = -B(U, V)/(2n-2)$ ,  $n \geq 2$ ,  $B$  is the Killing form, then  $S^n = SO(n+1)/SO(n)$  is a normal homogeneous space. Furthermore, the normal homogenous metric on  $S^n = SO(n+1)/SO(n)$  is the usual metric on  $S^n$ . It directly follows that  $SO(n+1)/SO(n)$  is a reductive homogeneous space. The reductive decomposition is given by  $\mathfrak{o}(n+1) = \mathfrak{o}(n) + \mathfrak{m}$ , where  $\mathfrak{m}$  is the subspace of all  $n \times n$



matrices of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -x^t \\ x & 0_n \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is a column vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $0_n$  the  $n \times n$  zero matrix. It is clear that  $\mathfrak{m}$  is isomorph to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let us denote such isomorphism by  $\phi : \mathfrak{m} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ . It is immediate that a semimartingale  $\xi$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a local martingale if and only if  $\phi(\xi) = M$  is a local martingale in  $\mathfrak{m}$ .

**Theorem 5.1** *Let  $S^n$  be a sphere  $n$ -dimensional in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with its usual metric induced of  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ . There is a 1-1 correspondence between martingales in  $S^n$  and local martingales in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .*

**Proof:** Let  $X_t$  be a  $\nabla^{S^n}$ -martingale in  $S^n$ , where  $\nabla^{S^n}$  is the Levi-Civita connection. Theorem 4.7 yields a unique local martingale in  $\mathfrak{m}$  such that  $X_t = \pi \circ e^G(M)$ , where  $\nabla^G$  is the Levi-Civita connection on  $SO(n+1)$ . Using the isomorphism  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathfrak{m}$  defined above we see that  $M = \phi(\xi)$ , where  $\xi$  is the unique local martingale in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that satisfies such relation. It follows that  $X_t$  is unique related with  $\xi$ , and the proof is complete.

By Remark 2 we know that a  $\nabla^{S^n}$ -martingale  $X_t$  satisfies the Itô stochastic differential equation

$$d^{S^n} X_t = \tau_{Y_t*} dM_t, X_0 = o^t,$$

where  $M_t$  is a local martingale in  $\mathfrak{m}$  and  $o^t = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$ . In the other hand, there exists a unique local martingale  $\xi$  such that  $M = \phi(\xi)$ . So, for a 1-form  $\theta$  we can compute

$$\int \theta d^{S^n} X_t = \int \theta \tau_{Y_t*} dM_t = \int \theta \tau_{Y_t*} d\phi(\xi)_t = \int \theta \tau_{Y_t*} \phi_* d\xi_t,$$

where we used the geometric Itô formula (1) in the last equality. Thus  $X_t$  satisfies the following Itô differential equation

$$d^{S^n} X_t = \tau_{Y_t*} \phi_* d\xi_t, \xi_0 = (0, 0, \dots, 0).$$

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